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AT A PRESS BRIEFING

FOR MRS. ELIZABETH HAGERTY. D/IWY, STATE

1. BEGIN QUOTE: GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.
2. WOMEN POWER SURFACED AT THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE. WOMEN DELEGATES GOT IT TOGETHER DESPITE ATTEMPTS TO POLITIZE THE CONFERENCE, WOMEN DELEGATES MAINTAINED A FIRM CONTROL AND NEVER LOST SIGHT OF THE GOAL AND PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE. THAT GOAL WAS TO ADOPT UNANIMOUSLY A WORLD PLAN OF ACTION THAT WOULD MAP OUT GUIDELINES DIRECTED

AT NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS ANDNINTERNATIONAL BODIES TO ACCELERATE WOMEN'S FULL PARTICIPATCON IN ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LIFE.

3. IT CAME AS NO SURPRISE TO US THAT THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT, ALLEGED BY SOME TO BE CONFINED TO THE UNITED SATES, IS
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GLBOAL. THE WOMEN,'S MOVEMENT HAS GENERATED CHANGE IN

EVERY NATION OF THE WORLD. FURTHER CHANGE WILL ACCELERATE DURING 1975-85, THE DECADE OF THE WOMAN.

4. SOME PESSIMISTS PREDICTED THE CONFERENCE WOULD DROWN ITSELF IN RHETORIC. THEY MISJUDGED." WE HAVE WITNESSED A "HAPPENING" AT THIS CONFERENCE. WOMEN WORKED TOGETHER, SUPPORTED ONE ANOTHER AND ACHIEVED THEIR GOAL.

5. WOMEN HAVE PROVEN THEIR NEGOTIATING SKILLS. WOMEN ASSUMEND LEADERSHIP ROLES. WOMEN ARE DETERMINED TO BECOME DECISION MAKERS ON AN EQUAL BASIS WITH MEN.

6. WOMEN ARE RECOGNIZING THAT POLITICAL POWER AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT WILL PLACE THEM IN A POSITION TO MAKE CHANGES IN THE STATUS OF WOMEN POSSIBLE. WOMEN IN THESE POSITIONS IN OUR NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WILL ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS EMBODIED IN OUR WORLD PLAN OF ACTION.

7. WOMEN ARE LEARNING THE NECESSITY OF SISTER SUPPORT SYSTEMS. THESE SUPPORT SYSTEMS ARE IMPORTANT FOR WOMEN WHATEVER THEIR POSITION IN THEIR OWN SOCIETY. WE HAVE BEGUN A NEW SUPPORT SYSTEM AT THIS CONFERENCE WITH WOMEN LEADERS FROM 130 NATIONS. WOMEN AT THE CONFERENCE ARE JOINED WITH THEIR SISTERS FROM 82 NATIONS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE IWY TRIBUNE. INTERCHANGE BETWEEN WOMEN IN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAS BEGUN A NEW DIALOGUE AMONG WOMEN WHO WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF EACH NATION AS WE MOVE INTO THE DECADE OF THE WOMAN.

8. WOMEN LEAVE THIS CONFERENCE DETERMINED TO IMPLEMENT THE WORLD PLAN OF ACTION WITHIN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES. WE LEAVE HERE WITH CONFIDENCE THAT WOMEN WILL BREAK DOWN THE BARRIERS OF DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEX AND WILL ASSERT THEIR RIGHT TO WORK IN FULL PARTNERSHIP WITH MEN IN EVERY ASPECT OF LIFE.  
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